BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SWITCHED ACCESS REVENUE REQUIREMENT FOR UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	))))	ORDER APPROVING REVENUE REQUIREMENT TC00-094

On June 15, 2000, Union Telephone Company (Union) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its 1999 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study.

On June 22, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 7, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. On July 13, 2000, the Commission voted to assess a filing fee as requested by the Executive Director up to the statutory limit of $100,000. Staff filed a memorandum on January 11, 2001, with the concurrence of the company, setting forth a recommended revenue requirement and minutes of use. The Commission considered this matter at its January 17, 2001, meeting.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-1A-9, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07 and 20:10:27:08. Upon review of Union's filing, the Commission found that the revenue requirement and minutes of use as depicted in Staff's memorandum were fair and reasonable and should be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Union's revenue requirement and minutes of use are hereby approved as revised and shall be incorporated in the Local Exchange Carriers Association's determination of switched access rates. (See TC00-102.)

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 24th day of January, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

By:_____

Date:_____

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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PAM NELSON, Vice Chairman

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner